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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT TACOMA

10 SAMUEL O. GONZALEZ,

11 No. 12-cv-5242-RBL

12 Plaintiff,

13 ORDER

14 v.

[Dkt. #30]

15 GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF
16 WASHINGTON et al.,

17 Defendants.

18 Before the Court is Plaintiff's motion for *in forma pauperis* status on appeal. A court
19 should "deny leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* at the outset if it appears from the face of the
20 proposed complaint that the action is frivolous or without merit." *Tripati v. First Nat'l Bank &*
21 *Trust*, 821 F.2d 1368, 1369 (9th Cir. 1987) (citations omitted); *see also* 28 U.S.C.
22 § 1915(e)(2)(B)(i). Plaintiff's case is frivolous, as outlined by the Report and Recommendation
23 dismissing the case. (See Report and Recommendation, Dkt. #23.) The motion is **DENIED**.

24 Dated this 16 day of August 2012.

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RONALD B. LEIGHTON
26 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE